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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of one (1) month to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed August 10, 2004 from October 10, 2004, up to and including November 10, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, an extension fee of \$55.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application is required. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/2352. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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